September 17, 1998

Dr. Ed Kelley, Director
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New Mexico Environment Department
P.O. Box 26110
Santa Fe, NM 87502-6110

Re: Hazardous Waste Permit Application NM 4890139088
U.S. Department of Energy, Waste Isolation Pilot Plant
Co-Permittee and Co-Operator, Westinghouse Electric Corporation
Waste Isolation Division - 90-Day Notification of Pending Transfer

Dear Dr. Kelley:

Pursuant to the 90-day notification requirements of 40 CFR 270.40 and 20 NMAC 4.1, Section 900, this letter is to inform you that CBS Corporation, doing business as Westinghouse Electric Company, will be divesting the Westinghouse Waste Isolation Division, prime contractor for the U.S. Department of Energy Waste Isolation Pilot Plant located in Carlsbad, New Mexico. The divestiture, which is scheduled to occur on or about December 15, 1998, will involve the transfer of Westinghouse Electric Company’s responsibilities as Co-Permittee and Co-Operator under the referenced Hazardous Waste Permit Application. The transferee will be a limited liability company owned jointly by British Nuclear Fuels, plc and Morrison-Knudsen Corporation. Accordingly, the Hazardous Waste Permit Application will need to be modified to reflect the pending change in Co-Permittee and Co-Operator.

Please note that the U.S. Department of Energy will remain the Facility Owner, Co-Permittee and Operator of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant.

We will contact you as soon as the legal name of the new British Nuclear Fuels/Morrison Knudsen entity has been established and the date of the divestiture has been determined. At that time we will be able to submit the necessary permit modification documents. In the interim, if you have any questions or require additional information, please call me at (412) 642-4657 or Mr. Thomas Touri at (412) 642-5855.

Very truly yours,

Jody Noble, Counsel

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